For the Commission, by the Division of Corporate Regulation, pursuant to delegated authority.

THEODORE L. HUMES, Associate Secretary.

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[70-5019]

### OHIO EDISON CO.

Notice of Proposed Issue and Sale of Bonds at Competitive Bidding and Issue of Bonds for Sinking Fund Purposes

MAY 5, 1971.

Notice is hereby given that Ohio Edison Co. (Ohio Edison), 47 North Main Street, Akron, OH 44308, a registered holding company and a public-utility company, has filed a declaration with this Commission pursuant to the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 (Act), designating sections 6(a) and 7 of the Act and Rule 50 promulgated thereunder as applicable to the proposed transactions. All interested persons are referred to the declaration, which is summarized below, for a complete statement of the proposed transactions.

Ohio Edison proposes to issue and sell, subject to the competitive bidding requirements of Rule 50 under the Act. \$60 million principal amount of First Mortgage Bonds \_. \_\_ percent Series of 1971 due 2001. The interest rate of the bonds (which will be a multiple of one eighth of 1 percent) and the price, exclusive of accrued interest, to be paid to Ohio Edison (which will be not less than 100 percent nor more than 102% percent of the principal amount thereof) will be determined by the competitive bidding. The bonds will be issued under Ohio Edison's indenture dated as of August 1, 1930, between Ohio Edison and Bankers Trust Co., trustee, as heretofore amended and supplemented and as to be further amended and supplemented by a 20th Supplemental Indenture to be dated as of the first day of the calendar month in which the bonds are issued. The supplemental Indenture includes a prohibition until June 1, 1976, against refunding the issue with funds borrowed at a lower annual cost of money.

The proceeds from the sale of the new bonds will be used for the acquisition of property, the construction, completion, extension, renewal, or improvement of Ohio Edison's facilities or for the improvement of its service, or for repayment of unsecured short-term debt, estimated to be outstanding at the time of issue in the amount of \$20 million, or for the reimbursement of its treasury for expenditures made for such purposes. Ohio Edison's construction expenditures for the year 1971 are estimated at \$103,714,000.

Ohio Edison also proposes, on or about November 1, 1971, to issue an additional

\$427,000 principal amount of its First Mortgage Bonds 3¼ percent Series of 1955 due 1985, under the provisions of its 12th Supplemental Indenture dated as of May 1, 1955, and to surrender such bonds to the trustee in accordance with the sinking fund provisions. The bonds are to be identical with those authorized by the Commission on April 8, 1971 (Holding Company Act Release No. 17091), and are to be issued on the basis of property additions. Ohio Edison estimates that, after the proposed issue of the new bonds and the sinking fund bonds, unfunded net property additions will amount to approximately \$92,998,000 as of December 31, 1970.

It is stated that the issuance of the new bonds and the sinking fund bonds is subject to the jurisdiction of the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio and that no other State commission and no Federal commission, other than this Commission, has jurisdiction over the proposed transactions. The fees and expenses to be paid in connection with the sinking fund bonds are estimated at \$600. The fees and expenses in connection with the new bonds are to be filed by amend-

Notice is further given that any interested person may, not later than May 26, 1971, request in writing that a hearing be held on such matter, stating the nature of his interest, the reasons for such request and the issues of fact or law raised by said declaration which he desires to controvert; or he may request that he be notified if the Commission should order a hearing thereon. Any such request should be addressed: Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission. Washington, D.C. 20549. A copy of such request should be served personally or by mail (airmail if the person being served is located more than 500 miles from the point of mailing) upon the declarant at the above-stated address, and proof of service (by affidavit or, in case of an attorney at law, by certificate) should be filed with the request. At any time after said date, the declaration, as filed or as it may be amended, may be permitted to become effective as provided in Rule 23 of the general rules and regulations promulgated under the Act, or the Commission may grant exemption from such rules as provided in Rules 20(a) and 100 thereof or take such other action as it may deem appropriate. Persons who request a hearing or advice as to whether a hearing is ordered will receive notice of further developments in this matter, including the date of the hearing (if ordered) and any postponements thereof.

For the Commission, by the Division of Corporate Regulation, pursuant to delegated authority.

[SEAL] THEODORE L. HUMES. Associate Secretary.

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# DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Office of the Secretary [Secretary of Labor's Order 14-71]

### AGE DISCRIMINATION IN **EMPLOYMENT**

Delegation of Authority and Assignment of Responsibility for Administration and Enforcement

1. Purpose. This order delegates authority and assigns responsibility for the performance of functions assigned to the Secretary of Labor pursuant to the Age Discrimination in Employment Act of

- 1967 (Public Law 90-202). 2. Background. The Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967 was enacted to promote employment of older persons based on their ability to prohibit arbitrary age discrimination in employment; and to help employers and workers find ways of meeting problems arising from the impact of age on employment.
- 3. Delegation of authority and assignment of reseponsibilities. a. The Assistant Secretary for Manpower is hereby delegated authority and assigned responsibility for:
- (1) Undertaking studies concerning the needs and abilities of older workers, and their potentials for continued employment and contribution to the economy:
- (2) Undertaking or promoting research, with a view to reducing barriers to the employment of older persons, and the promotion of measures for utilizing their skills including publishing and otherwise making available to employers, professional societies, and the various media of communication, and other interested persons the findings of research
- (3) Helping employers and workers find ways of meeting problems arising from the impact of age on employment other than the administrative and enforcement activities (including conciliation) delegated to the Assistant Secretary for Employment Standards:
- (4) Undertaking an appropriate study of institutional and other arrangements, giving rise to involuntary retirement, and preparing for the Assistant Secretary for Employment Standards a report of findings, pursuant to section 5 of the Age Discrimination in Employment Act, and undertaking other studies and preparing appropriate recommendations to the Assistant Secretary for Employment Standards concerning the Age Discrimination in Employment Act; and,
- (5) Promoting employment of older workers through the public employment service system and through cooperative effort (including regional, state, and local agencies and employers, labor organizations, and employment agencies), the

private associations for expanding the opportunities and potentials of older persons.

b. The Assistant Secretary for Employment Standards is hereby delegated authority and assigned responsibility for:

(1) Issuing interpretations, rules, and regulations on the advice of the Solicitor, and establishing reasonable exemptions to and from any or all provisions of the Age Discrimination in Employment Act:

(2) Effecting voluntary compliance and attempting to eliminate alleged discriminatory practices and barriers to employment through informal methods of conciliation, conferences, and persua-

(3) Carrying on a continuing program of education and information including preparing and disseminating posters, pamphlets, and other information aids to promote voluntary compliance and to assist in the enforcement of the law, and, in this connection, cooperating with regional, State, local, and other agencies and cooperating with and furnishing technical assistance to employers, labor organizations, and employment agencies;

(4) Enforcing the provisions of the Act in accordance with the applicable provisions of the Fair Labor Standards Act and the Age Discrimination in Employment Act, including making investigations and requiring the keeping of records necessary or appropriate for administration of the Age Discrimination

in Employment Act;

(5) Notifying promptly all persons named as prospective defendants in a proposed civil action by an individual and seeking to eliminate any alleged unlawful practices by informal methods:

(6) Undertaking appropriate studies to evaluate and appraise the effectiveness of the Act and preparing an annual report of findings and appropriate legislative recommendations pursuant to sec-

tion 13 of the Act;

(7) Preparing for the Secretary recommendations with respect to desirable measures to change the lower or upper age limits specified in the Age Discrimination in Employment Act, pursuant to section 3(b) of the Act;

(8) Representing the Department of Labor at interagency councils or committees relating to matters concerning discrimination in employment on the

basis of age;

(9) Assisting States in developing laws prohibiting age discrimination and sponsoring programs to achieve that end.

c. The Solicitor of Labor shall have the responsibility for providing legal advice and assistance to all officers of the Department relating to the administration of the Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967.

4. Redelegation. The authority delegated and responsibilities assigned by this order may be further redelegated.

- 5. Reservation of authority. The following functions are reserved to the Secretary:
- a. Submission of reports and recommendations to the President and the

development of facilities of public and Congress concerning the administration of the Age Discrimination in Employment Act

b. The bringing of legal proceedings under the Age Discrimination in Employment Act, the determination in each case whether such proceedings are appropriate to be made by the Solicitor of Labor.

affected. Secretary's 6. Directives Order 11-68 is hereby canceled.

7. Effective date. This order is effective April 28, 1971.

Signed at Washington, D.C., this 4th day of May 1971.

J. D. HODGSON. Secretary of Labor.

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[Secretary of Labor's Order 12-71]

### ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH

### Delegation of Authority and Assignment of Responsibility

1. Purpose. This order delegates authority and assigns responsibilities of the Secretary of Labor regarding occupational safety and health functions including those set forth in the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970.

2. Background. Public Law 91-596, the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970, assigned major additional responsibilities to the Secretary of Labor in the field of occupational safety and health and established in the Department an Assistant Secretary for Occupational

Safety and Health.

- 3. Transfer of functions. This order transfers and assigns all of the safety and health responsibilities (but not including responsibilities under the Child Labor provisions of the Fair Labor Standards Act) and related personnel, equipment and facilities, which were heretofore assigned to the Workplace Standards Administration (renamed Employment Standards Administration) to the Assistant Secretary for Occupational Safety and Health, and con-solidates activities in support of these responsibilities with those assigned under the Occupational Safety and Health Act.
- 4. The Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA). There is established in the Department of Labor an Occupational Safety and Health Administration which shall be headed by the Assistant Secretary for Occupational Safety and Health who reports to the Secretary of Labor.
- 5. Delegation of authority and assignment of responsibility. a. The Assistant Secretary for Occupational Safety and Health is hereby delegated authority and assigned responsibility for carrying out the safety and health programs and activities of the Department of Labor including the safety and health functions to be performed by the Secretary of Labor under:
- (1) Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970;

- (2) Walsh-Healey Public Contracts Act of 1936, as amended:
  - (3) Service Contract Act of 1965:
- (4) Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act;
  - (5) Maritime Safety Act of 1958;(6) National Foundation on the Arts
- and Humanities Act of 1965;
  (7) 5 U.S.C. 7902 and any Executive
- order thereunder;
- (8) The responsibilities of the Secretary of Labor with respect to labor safety and health provisions of any other Fed-
- eral statutes. b. In carrying out the authority and responsibility delegated under this order. the Assistant Secretary for Occupational Safety and Health shall perform the above functions in accordance with existing Governmental and Departmental regulations, including Chapter 4-1300 of the Manual of Administration, which outlines the functions of Policy Development, Planning, Programing, Budgeting, Executing Programs, Reviewing, and Analyzing Planned Versus Actual Performance, and Evaluating Program Effectiveness.

c. The Assistant Secretary is delegated authority for making organizational changes within policies established by the Secretary in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 4-200 of the Manual of

Administration. d. The Assistant Secretary shall coordinate his efforts with efforts of other officials or agencies having responsibilities in the occupational safety and health

e. The Solicitor of Labor shall have the responsibility for providing legal advice and assistance to the Secretary and all officers of the Department relating to the administration of the statutes and Executive order listed in paragraph 5a

f. The Commissioner of the Bureau of Labor Statistics is hereby delegated specific authority and assigned responsi-

bility for:

(1) Furthering the purposes of the Occupational Safety and Health Act by developing and maintaining an effective program of collection, compilation, and analysis of occupational safety and health statistics:

(2) Making grants to States or political subdivisions thereof in order to assist them in developing and administering programs dealing with occupational safety and health statistics under sections 18, 23, and 24 of the Occupational Safety and Health Act; and

(3) Coordinating his functions with the Assistant Secretary for Occupational

Safety and Health.

g. The authority and responsibility delegated to the Assistant Secretary for Occupational Safety and Health, the Solicitor of Labor and the Commissioner of the Bureau of Labor Statistics may be redelegated by them.

6. Reservation of authority. a. The following functions are reserved to the

Secretary

(1) Submission of reports and recommendations to the President and the Congress concerning the administration of the statutes and Executive order listed

in paragraph 5a above.

(2) The bringing of legal proceedings under the statutes listed in paragraph 5a above, the determination in each case whether such proceedings are appropriate to be made by the Solicitor of Labor, who may appear for and represent the Secretary in civil litigation as authorized by law.

7. Interim rules. In the implementation of this Order and in the administration of the statutes listed in paragraph 5a above, the rules set forth in Chapter XIII of Title 29 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Part 6 of such title, and Parts 50-201 and 50-203 of Title 41, read in the light of the delegations made herein, shall be applicable until changed.

8. Directives affected. Secretary's Order No. 2-67 establishing the Advisory Committee on Occupational Safety remains in effect, except that the Assistant Secretary for Occupational Safety and Health shall serve as Executive Secretary and that secretarial, technical and other services shall be provided by the Occupational Safety and Health Administration.

9. Effective date. This order is effec-

tive April 28, 1971.

Signed at Washington, D.C., this 4th day of May 1971.

> J. D. HODGSON. Secretary of Labor.

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[Secretary of Labor's Order 13-71]

### ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR **EMPLOYMENT STANDARDS**

### Delegation of Authority and Assignment of Responsibility

- 1. Purpose. This Order redesignates the Assistant Secretary for Workplace Standards as the Assistant Secretary for Employment Standards and delegates to the Assistant Secretary for Employment Standards the authority vested in the Secretary of Labor for employment standards programs. It also redesignates Workplace Standards Administration as the Employment Standards Administration.
- 2. Background. Secretary's Order No. 19-70 established in the Department of Labor a Workplace Standards Administration and assigned responsibilities for the workplace standards programs and activities in the Department of Labor, including safety and health program functions to the Assistant Secretary for Workplace Standards. Subsequently, the Williams-Steiger Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 (Public Law 91-596) established in the Department of Labor an Assistant Secretary for Occupational Safety and Health. The safety and health responsibilities of the Department of Labor are to be performed by an Occupational Safety and Health Administration headed by the Assistant Secretary for Occupational Safety and Health. This order delegates authority and assigns responsibility for employ-

ment standards programs and activities to be performed by the Employment Standards Administration.

3. Redesignation of the Workplace Standards Administration as the Employment Standards Administration. The Workplace Standards Administration is hereby redesignated as the Employment Standards Administration and shall perform the functions of the Department with respect to employment standards programs. The Assistant Secretary for Workplace Standards is hereby redesignated as the Assistant Secretary for Employment Standards who shall report to the Secretary. The Employment Standards Administration shall be headed by a Deputy Assistant Secretary/ Administrator who shall report to the Assistant Secretary for Employment Standards, and shall act for the Assistant Secretary in his absence.

4. Delegation of authority and assignment of responsibility. a. The Assistant Secretary for Employment Standards is hereby delegated authority and assigned responsibility, except as hereinafter provided, for carrying out the employment standards programs and activities of the Department of Labor, including the functions to be performed by the Secretary

of Labor under:

(1) Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938. as amended, including the issuance of child labor Hazardous Occupation Orders and other regulations concerning child labor standards;

(2) The Walsh-Healey Public Contracts Act of 1936, as amended: except those provisions relating to safety and health delegated to the Assistant Secretary for Occupational Safety and Health:

(3) Service Contract Act of 1965, except those provisions relating to safety and health delegated to the Assistant Secretary for Occupational Safety and Health:

(4) The Davis-Bacon Act and any laws now existing, or which may be subsequently enacted, providing for prevailing wage findings by the Secretary of Labor in accordance with or pursuant to the Davis-Bacon Act; the Copeland Act; Reorganization Plan No. 14 of 1950; and

the Tennessee Valley Authority Act;
(5) Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act, except those provisions relating to safety and health delegated to the Assistant Secretary for Occupa-

tional Safety and Health:

(6) Title III of the Consumer Credit Protection Act:

(7) Vocational Rehabilitation

Amendments of 1965:

- (8) Arts and Humanities Act of 1965, except those provisions relating to safety and health delegated to the Assistant Secretary for Occupational Safety and Health;
- (9) Federal Employees' Compensation Act, as amended and extended (5 U.S.C. 8101 et seq., except 8149 as it pertains to Employees' Compensation Appeals
- (10) The Longshoremen's and Harbor Workers' Compensation Act, as amended and extended;

(11) The Act of 1920 establishing a Women's Bureau (Public Law 66-259);

(12) Executive Order 11126-as amended by Executive Order 11221-Status of Women;

(13) Executive Order 11136, amended-President's Committee Consumer Interests and Consumer Advisory Committee;

(14) Executive Order 11246. as amended by Executive Order 11375-Federal Contract Compliance;

(15) Part C of title IV (Black Lung Benefits) of the Federal Coal Mine Health and Safety Act of 1969:

(16) Such additional Federal Acts as may from time to time confer upon the Secretary of Labor duties and responsibilities similar to the Fair Labor Standards Act.

- b. In carrying out the authority and responsibility delegated under this order, the Assistant Secretary for Employment Standards shall perform the above functions in accordance with existing governmental and departmental regulations, including Chapter 4-1300 of the Manual of Administration, which outlines the functions of Policy Development, Planning, Programing, Budgeting, Executing Programs, Reviewing, and Analyzing Planned Versus Actual Performance, and Evaluating Program Effectiveness.
- c. The Assistant Secretary is delegated authority for making organizational changes within policies established by the Secretary in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 4-200 of the Manual of Administration.
- d. The Solicitor of Labor shall have the responsibility for providing legal advice and assistance to all officers of the Department relating to the administration of the statutes and Executive orders listed in paragraph 4a above.

5. Redelegation of authority. The authority and responsibility delegated to the Assistant Secretary may be redelegated by him.

- 6. Interim rules. Pending issuance of new rules, the Employment Standards Administration will follow the rules published in Chapter 13, Title 29, CFR, for action concerning the child labor provisions of the Fair Labor Standards Act and the compensation provisions of title IV, part C of the Federal Coal Mine Health and Safety Act of 1969.
- 7. Reservation of authority. a. The following functions are reserved to the Secretary:
- (1) Submission of reports and recommendations to the President and the Congress concerning the administration of the statutes and Executive orders listed in paragraph 4a above.
- (2) The bringing of legal proceedings under the statutes and Executive orders listed in paragraph 4a above, the determination in each case whether such proceedings are appropriate to be made by the Solicitor of Labor
- b. The jurisdiction of the Wage Appeals Board, as presently described in Secretary of Labor's Order 24-70 (36 F.R. 306) and in its rules of practice

(29 CFR Part 7) is reserved, and the Board shall be empowered to review decisions under this order relating to the Davis-Bacon Act and its related laws within the scope of that jurisdiction.

8. Directives affected. a. Secretary's Order No. 19-70 is hereby canceled.

b. The following Secretary's orders remain in effect until canceled, except that the overall responsibility for the authority delegated in them is now vested in the Assistant Secretary for Employment Standards: 18-67, 21-67, 21-68, 26-68, 2-69, 3-69, 4-69, and 20-70, and except as otherwise provided in this order and in Secretary of Labor's Order No. 12-71.

9. Effective date. This order is effective April 28, 1971.

Signed at Washington, D.C., this 4th day of May 1971.

J. D. Hodgson, Secretary of Labor.

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[Secretary of Labor's Order 15-71]

# EMPLOYMENT STANDARDS ADMINISTRATION

## Redelegation of Authority and Responsibility

- 1. Purpose. This order redelegates authority and reassigns responsibility for the performance of functions assigned to the Assistant Secretary for Employment Standards by Secretary's Order No. 13–71 and Secretary's Order No. 14–71 and redelegates authority and reassigns responsibility for employment standards programs and activities to be performed by the Employment Standards Administration.
- 2. Background. Secretary's Order No. 13-71 and Secretary's Order No. 14-71 delegated authority and assigned responsibility for employment standards programs as designated therein to the Assistant Secretary for Employment Standards, with the authority to redelegate. Secretary's Order No. 13-71 also redesignated the Workplace Standards Administration as the Employment Standards Administration, and authorized the Assistant Secretary to make organizational changes. The Order further provided that the Employment Standards Administration shall be headed by a Deputy Assistant Secretary/Administrator who shall report to the Assistant Secretary for Employment Standards

and shall act for the Assistant Secretary in his absence.

- 3. Redelegation of authority and reassignment of responsibility. a. The authority and responsibility for carrying out the employment sandards programs and activities which are delegated and assigned by the Secretary of Labor to the Assistant Secretary for Employment Standards by Secretary's Order No. 13-71 and Secretary's Order No. 14-71 are further redelegated and reassigned hereby, except as otherwise provided herein, to the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Employment Standards, who shall also be designated as the Administrator. Employment Standards Administration and who is also the Administrator of the Wage and Hour Division. He shall report to the Assistant Secretary. In the latter's absence, he shall act for the Assistant Secretary and report to the Under Secretary or Secretary, as appropriate.
- b. The Deputy Assistant Secretary for Employment Standards/Administrator, ESA, shall—
- (1) have the responsibility for assuring that public information activities and announcements are consistent with the polices of the Secretary and Assistant Secretary; and
- (2) administer employment standards programs in such a manner as to be consistent with the policies of the Secretary of Labor and the Assistant Secretary for Employment Standards including policies established by staff units in the Office if the Secretary pursuant to delegations to them by the Secretary.
- 4. Redelegation. The Deputy Assistant Secretary for Employment Standards/ Administrator, ESA, may redelegate authority vested in him by this order.
- 5. Reservation of authority. The submission of reports and recommendations to the Secretary concerning the administration of employment standards programs shall be reserved to the Assistant Secretary for Employment Standards.
- 6. Effective date. This order shall be effective April 28, 1971.

Signed at Washington, D.C., this 5th day of May, 1971.

ARTHUR A. FLETCHER,
Assistant Secretary,
for Employment Standards.

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# FEDERAL POWER COMMISSION

[Dockets Nos. RI71-993, etc.]

## EDWIN L. COX ET AL.

Order Providing for Hearing on and Suspension of Proposed Changes in Rates, and Allowing Rate Changes To Become Effective Subject to Refund <sup>1</sup>

APRIL 30, 1971

Respondents have filed proposed changes in rates and charges for jurisdictional sales of natural gas, as set forth in Appendix A hereof.

The proposed changed rates and charges may be unjust, unreasonable, unduly discriminatory, or preferential, or otherwise unlawful.

The Commission finds:

It is in the public interest and consistent with the Natural Gas Act that the Commission enter upon hearings regarding the lawfulness of the proposed changes, and that the supplements herein be suspended and their use be deferred as ordered below.

The Commission orders:

(A) Under the Natural Gas Act, particularly sections 4 and 15, the regulations pertaining thereto (18 CFR ch. I), and the Commission's rules of practice and procedure, public hearings shall be held concerning the lawfulness of the proposed changes.

(B) Pending hearings and decisions thereon, the rate supplements herein are suspended and their use deferred until date shown in the "Date Suspended Until" column. Each of these supplements shall become effective, subject to refund, as of the expiration of the suspension period without any further action by the respondent or by the Commission. Each respondent shall comply with the refunding procedure required by the Natural Gas Act and \$ 154.102 of the regulations thereunder.

(C) Unless otherwise ordered by the Commission, neither the suspended supplements, nor the rate schedules sought to be altered, shall be changed until disposition of these proceedings or expiration of the suspension period, whichever is earlier.

By the Commission.

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KENNETH F. PLUMB, Acting Secretary.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Does not consolidate for hearing or dispose of the several matters herein.

#### APPENDIX A

| Docket<br>No. | Respondent  | Rate<br>sched-<br>ule<br>No. | Sup-<br>ple-<br>ment<br>No. | Purchaser and producing area  | Amount of annual increase | Date<br>filing<br>tendered | Effective<br>date<br>unless<br>suspended | Date<br>suspended<br>until— | Cents per Mcf*     |                            | Rate in<br>effect sub-                  |
|---------------|---|------------------------------|-----------------------------|---|---------------------------|----------------------------|--|-----------------------------|--------------------|----------------------------|---|
|               |   |                              |                             |   |                           |                            |  |                             | Rate in effect     | Proposed<br>increased rate | ject to<br>refund in<br>dockets<br>Nos. |
| R171-993.     | Edwin L. Cox  | 41                           | 4                           | South Texas Natural Gas Gathering Co. (Yeary Field, Kleberg County, Tex. R.R. District No. 4).  | \$2,410                   | 4- 1-71                    |  | 6- 2-71                     | 19 18, 0           | 19 19, 0712                | 5 R165-592                              |
| R171-994.     | . Getty Off Co  | 1                            | 2 17                        | Iroquois Gas Corp. (Sheridan<br>Field, Colorado County, Tex.,   | 836                       | 4- 1-71                    |  | 6- 2-71                     | 2 19 17. 0         | 1 2 19 20, 77367           |   |
|               | do  | 68                           | 3 10                        | RR. District No. 3). Southern Natural Gas Co. (Gwinville Field, Jefferson Davis and Simpson Counties, Miss.).                             | 1, 400                    | 4- 1-71                    | 5-2-71                                   | 10- 2-71                    | <sup>2</sup> 20. 6 | ‡ 22, 0                    |   |
| RI71-995.     | . Getty Oil Co. et al                                   | 70                           |                             | Natural Gas Pipeline Co. of<br>America (Shaeffer Ranch et al.,<br>Fields, Jim Wells, and DuVal<br>Counties, Tex., RR. District            | 1,711                     | 4- 1-71                    |  | 6- 2-71                     | 4 19 16, 0         | 1 1 19 16, 56187           |   |
| R171-996      | Logue and Patterson                                     | 14                           | 67.7                        | Florida Gas Transmission Co.<br>(Kain Field, Matagorda County, Tex., RR. District No. 3).   | 261,000                   | 4- 2-71                    | *******                                  | 6- 3-71                     | 3 6 19 17. 0       | 6 19 24, 25                |   |
| RI71-997      | Kerr-McGee Corp   | - 69                         | 8 10 22                     | Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line<br>Corp. (Ship Shoal Blocks 28<br>and 32 Units, Offshore Loui-   | 264, 625                  | 4- 1-71                    |  | 5-17-71                     | 22. 375            | * * 26. 0                  | RI71-834.                               |
| RI71-998      | Union Oil Co. of<br>California.                         | 44                           | 10 11 6                     | siana) (Disputed Zone). Tennessee Gas Pipeline Co. a division of Tenneco Inc. (Caillou Island Field, La- fourche Parish, Southern         | 27, 115                   | 3-31-71                    |  | 5-16-71                     | 22, 375            | * 11 26, 0                 | R171-564.                               |
| R171-999.     | The California Co., a<br>division of Chevron<br>Oll Co. | 58                           | 6                           | Louisiana). South Texas Natural Gas Gathering Co. (Northeast Thompsonville Field, Jim Hogg  | 111, 117                  | 4- 6-71                    |  | 6- 7-71                     | 20 19, 1716        | 20 21, 0                   | RI69-195.                               |
| RI71-1000_    | Atlantic Richfield Co.                                  | 34                           | 10 12 34                    | County, R.R. District No. 4). Texas Eastern Transmission Corp. (North Tom Lyne (Wilcox 9,350') Field Live Oak County, Tex., R.R. District | 85, 857                   | 4- 8-71 .                  |  | 6- 9-71                     | 12 19 15, 4377     | 18 16 19 18, 3779          | R168-300.                               |
| RI71-1001_    | Dixilyn Corp  | 1                            | 11 5                        | No. 2).<br>Sea Robin Pipeline Co. (Block<br>15, South Marsh Island Area,  | 15, 512                   | 4-8-71                     |  | 5-24-71                     | o 17, 0            | M 21, 25                   |   |
|               | do  | . 2                          | 13 5                        | Offshore Louisiana).<br>Sea Robin Pipeline Co. (Block<br>16, South Marsh Island Area,   | 15, 512                   | 4-8-71                     |  | 5-24-71                     | 17 17. 0           | 15 21, 25                  |   |
| R171-1002_    | Phillips Petroleum<br>Co. et al.                        | 435                          |                             | Offshore Louisiana). United Gas Pipe Line Co. (Merit Field, Simpson County, Miss.).   | TOTOTOTOT                 | 4- 8-71                    | 5- 9-71                                  | Accepted                    |                    |                            |   |
|               | Humble Oil & Refining Co.                               | 435<br>409                   | 3 2                         | Florida Gas Transmission Co.<br>(Skipper Area, Brooks County,<br>Tex. R.R. District. No. 4).  | 74, 460<br>2, 781         | 4- 8-71<br>4- 9-71         | 5- 9-71                                  | 10- 9-71<br>7- 2-71         | 19, 0<br>10 16, 06 | 19 17, 0638                | R170-426.                               |
| H171-1004     | Ken Blackford et al                                     | 1                            | - 11                        | El Paso Natural Gas Co.<br>(Otero Field, Rio Arriba<br>County, N. Mex., San Juan  | 185                       | 4- 6-71                    | 5- 7-71                                  | <i>5</i> - 8-71             | 13. 0              | 13, 2486                   |   |
| R171-1005     | George P. Caulkins,<br>Jr.                              | 1                            | 4                           | Basin).<br>El Paso Natural Gas Co. (Red<br>Wash Field, Uintah County,<br>Utah).   | 410                       | 4- 6-71                    |  | 6- 7-71                     | 16, 384            | 20. 5                      | R166-343.                               |

\* Unless otherwise stated, the pressure base is 15.025 p.s.i.a.
! Increase to contract rate, plus applicable tax reimbursement.
! Applicable only to gas well gas sales from the Wilcox B, C, and D and the Yequa Q sand Reservoirs.

! Applicable only to gas well gas sales from the Washita-Fredericksburg Reservoir.

| Applicable only to gas well gas sales from the Lagarto Pasture (4,770') and Lagarto Pasture (5,400') Reservoir.

| Applicable only to gas well gas sales from the Lagarto Pasture (4,770') and Lagarto Pasture (5,400') Reservoir.

| Permanently certificated rate.
| Applies only to sales from acreage added by September 21, 1970 (Supplement No. 6).

No. 6;
'As corrected.
'Applicable only to sales from the 9,800' and Robulus E-6 Sand Reservoirs discovered after Oct. 1, 1968.
'Per Opinion No. 567 and Order No. 413.
'Includes documents required by Opinion No. 567.
'I Applicable only to sales from the 2,900' Sand Reservoir discovered after Oct. 1, 1968.

II Applicable only to sales from the Wilcox 9,350' Sand Reservoir discovered on Jan. 10, 1971.

II Includes 0.5-cent dehydration and gathering.

II Renegotiated rate is provided for by agreement dated Mar. 1, 1971, which is being reported separately.

II For casinghead gas only.

II Includes 0.413, as amended.

II Initial certificated rate.

II Agreement dated Mar. 15, 1971 provides among other things for the renegotiated rates specified therein.

II The pressure base is 14.65 p.s.i.a.

II The pressure base is 14.73 p.s.i.a.

II Accepted, to become effective on the date shown in the "Effective Date" column, subject to the conditions prescribed elsewhere in this order.

(Discovered Feb. 20, 1965.)

The agreement filed by Phillips Petroleum Co., et al., in addition to providing for proposed increased rates also provide for future escalations to any higher area ceiling or settlement rate prescribed by the Commission. The provisions relating to the area rate do not conform with § 154.93(b-1) of the Commission's regulations. Consistent with Commission action taken on similar filings not in conformity with § 154.93) b-1, the agreements are accepted for filing upon expiration of statutory notice with the condition that the provisions relating to the area tate will only apply upon the Commission's approval of a just and reasonable rate, or

settlement rate, in an applicable area rate proceeding, for gas of comparable quality and vintage.

The proposed increases of Kerr-McGee Corp., Union Oil Company of California and Atlantic Richfield Co. apply only to gas produced from reservoirs identified in the documents submitted in accordance with Opinion No. 567. Such documents, which are being made a part of the proposed increased rate filings, show that the reservoirs were discovered subsequent to the date of the gas sale contracts involved, and therefore the gas well gas sold from such reservoirs qualify for higher ceiling prices.

Those proposed increases of Getty Oil Co. and Phillips Petroleum Co. et al., which exceed the corresponding rate filing limitations imposed in Southern Louisiana are suspended for 5 months. The remaining increases, except as hereinafter indicated, pertaining to sales outside Southern Louisiana are suspended for 61 days from the date of filing pursuant to Order No. 423 and those relating to sales within the Southern Louisiana area are suspended for 45 days from the date of filing. However, if the contractual effective date for an increase is beyond the period described above, it is suspended or 1 day from the contractual effective date.

The proposed tax reimbursement increase of Ken Blackford et al. is a tax reimbursement increase involving the New Mexico Emergency School Tax. We believe that Ken Blackford et al. should be suspended for 1 day from the expiration of the 30-day statutory notice period consistent with Commission action on similar tax reimbursement increases.

George P. Caulkins, Jr., proposes a rate increase from 16.384 cents to 20.5 cents for a sale of gas to El Paso Natural Gas Co. in the Red Wash Field, Uintah County, Utah, where no formal ceiling rates have been announced. Since the proposed rate exceeds the 13-cent increased rate ceiling for adjacent Colorado and Wyoming and the 15.384cent initial rate certificated in Opinion No. 359 for sales in the Red Wash Field, the proposed rate is suspended for 1 day upon termination of the 60-day notice period pursuant to Order No. 423.

Certain respondents request either waiver of notice or effective dates for which adequate notice was not given. Good cause has not been shown for granting these requests and they are denied.

All of the producers' proposed increased rates and charges exceed the applicable area price levels for increased rates as set forth in the Commission's Statement of General Policy No. 61-1, as amended (18 CFR, Chapter I, Part 2, § 2.56).

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[Dockets Nos. RI71-971, etc.]

### AMOCO PRODUCTION CO., ET AL.

Order Providing for Hearing on and Suspension of Proposed Changes in Rates, and Allowing Rate Changes To Become Effective Subject to Refund 1

APRIL 23, 1971.

Respondents have filed proposed changes in rates and charges for jurisdictional sales of natural gas, as set forth in Appendix A hereof.

The proposed changed rates and charges may be unjust, unreasonable, unduly discriminatory, or preferential, or otherwise unlawful.

The Commission finds:

It is in the public interest and consistent with the Natural Gas Act that the Commission enter upon hearings regarding the lawfulness of the proposed changes, and that the supplements herein be suspended and their use be deferred as ordered below.

Does not consolidate for hearing or dispose of the several matters herein.

The Commission orders:

(A) Under the Natural Gas Act, particularly sections 4 and 15, the regulations pertaining thereto (18 CFR ch. I). and the Commission's rules of practice and procedure, public hearings shall be held concerning the lawfulness of the proposed changes.

(B) Pending hearings and decisions thereon, the rate supplements herein are suspended and their use deferred until date shown in the "Date Suspended Until" column. Each of these supplements shall become effective, subject to refund, as of the expiration of the suspension period without any further action by the respondent or by the Commission, Each respondent shall comply with the refunding procedure required by the Natural Gas Act and § 154,102 of the regulations thereunder.

(C) Unless otherwise ordered by the Commission, neither the suspended supplements, nor the rate schedules sought to be altered, shall be changed until disposition of these proceedings or expiration of the suspension period, whichever is earlier.

By the Commission.

KENNETH F. PLUMB, [SEAL] Acting Secretary.

| Docket<br>No.      | Respondent                                   | Rate<br>sched-<br>ule<br>No. | Sup-<br>ple-<br>ment<br>No. | Append  | Amount Dat | Date               | ling date          | Date<br>suspended -<br>until- | Cents per Mcf*        |                            | Rate in<br>effect sub-                  |
|--------------------|--|------------------------------|-----------------------------|---|------------|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|---|
|                    |  |                              |                             | Purchaser and producing area  |            | filing             |                    |                               | Rate in effect        | Proposed increased rate    | ject to<br>refund in<br>dockets<br>Nos. |
| R171-971           | Amoco Production Co.                         | 155                          | 2 15                        | Michigan Wisconsin Pipeline Co.<br>(North Elton Field, Allen  | \$3,975    | 3-29-71            |                    | € 6- 2-71                     | 41 24, 75             | 141 26, 0                  | R171-638                                |
| 171-972            | Continental Oil Co. et al.                   | 154                          | 14128                       | Parish, Southern Louisiana). Tennessee Gas Pipeline Co., a division of Tenneco Inc. (West Cameron Block 192 Field, Offshore Louisiana).       | 41, 625    | 3-29-71            |                    | 5-14-71                       | 16 41 21, 375         | 141 26. 0                  |   |
| 171-973            | Forest Oil Corp                              | 4                            | 10                          | Tennessee Gas Pipeline Co., a<br>division of Tenneco, Inc.<br>(Kleberg-Driscoll Unit,<br>Brayton Field, Nucces<br>County, Tex., R.R. District |            | 3-26-71            | 4-26-71            | "Accepted                     |                       |                            |   |
| 171-974            | Sun Oil Co. et al                            | 4<br>266                     | 11<br>18                    | No. 4). do Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line   | 35, 813    | 3-26-71<br>3-26-71 | 4-26-71<br>4-26-71 | 9-26-71<br>40 Accepted .      | 17, 08741             | 24. 25                     | R160-37                                 |
| T68-424            | do   | 266                          | 19                          | Corp. (Egan Field, Acadia<br>Parish, Southern Louislana).   | . (881)    |                    |                    |                               | 41 23, 55             | 7 41 22, 375<br># 26, 0    |   |
| THE RESIDENCE      | . Coastal States Gas<br>Producing Co. et al. | 38                           | 3                           | South Texas Natural Gas<br>Producing Co. (Northeast<br>Thompsonville Field, Jim<br>Hogg County, Tex., RR.                                     | 33, 124    |                    |                    |                               | 15. 05025             |                            | R170-6                                  |
| R171-976           | . Cities Service Oil Co                      | 180                          | 12 13 24                    | District No. 4). Tennessee Gas Pipeline Co., a division of Tenneco Inc. (East and West Cameron Area,  | 50, 528    | 3-29-71            |                    | 5-14-71                       | 41 21, 375            |                            | R171-6                                  |
| 171-977<br>171-978 | Getty Oil Co                                 | 72<br>1                      | 13 14 25<br>7               | Offshore Louisiana).  do. Natural Gas Pipeline Co. of America (Northeast Thompson-  |            | 3-31-71<br>3-30-71 | 4-30-71            | 5-16-71<br>9-30-71            | 41 21, 375<br>15, 056 | 1 41 26, 0<br>17 24, 08725 | R171-42<br>R170-48                      |
| 171-979.           | Humble Oil & Refin-                          | 472                          | 3                           | ville Field, Webb County, Tex.,<br>RR. District No. 4).<br>Natural Gas Pipeline Co. of<br>America (Armstrong Field, Jim                       | 44, 856    | 3-30-71            |                    | 5-31-71                       | 17. 8                 | se 20, 2920                | RI71-38                                 |
|                    | do   | 110                          | 18 1-18                     | Hogg County, Tex., RR. Dis-<br>trict No. 4).<br>United Gas Pipeline Co. (Pistol<br>Ridge, Maxie Fields, Forest et                             | 23, 833    | 3- 9-71            |                    | 20 5- 7-71                    | 16 61 20, 0           |                            |   |
| 171-980            | Continental Oil Co                           | _ 26                         | 2                           | al. Counties, Miss.).  El Paso Natural Gas Co. (Bisti<br>Field, San Juan County, N.   | 418        | 3-31-71            |                    | 6- 1-71                       | 41 14, 2677           | 41 15, 2869                |   |
|                    | . Getty Oil Co. et al                        |                              | 10                          | Mex.) (San Juan Basin).  Transwestern Pipeline Co. (Kermit Field, Winkler County,   | 20, 560    | 3-31-71            | 5- 1-71            | 10- 1-71                      | 19, 3342              | 27, 319                    | R170-8                                  |
| 171-982.           | The Louisiana Land                           | 8                            | 1                           | Tex.) (Permian Basin). Transwestern Pipeline Co. (acreage in Ward and Winkler Coun-   | 22, 687    | 3-29-71            |                    | 5-30-71                       | 21 22. 0              |                            |   |
| 170-1581           | and Exploration Co. Gulf Oil Corp. et al.    | _ 281                        |                             | ties, Tex.) (Permian Basin).<br>Colorado Interstate Gas Co.<br>(Patrick Draw Area, Sweet-<br>water County, Wyo.).                             |            | 3-29-71            |                    | ** 3-29-71                    | 15, 7325              |                            |   |
| R171-983.          | Gulf Oil Corp                                | . 418                        | 8                           | water County, Wyo.). Transwestern Pipeline Co. (Kermit and South Kermit Fields, Winkler County, Tex.) (Per-                                   | 9, 240     | 3-29-71            | 4-29-71            | 9-29-71                       | 18, 08                | 27, 32                     | R170-10                                 |

mian Basin).